

Measure Title:	Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Contractors License Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, PETER LEE, for a term to expire 06-30-2019.
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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH

> TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE Regular Session of 2016

> > Friday, April 15, 2016 9:30 a.m.

#### TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 859.

TO THE HONORABLE ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Candace Ito and I am the Executive Officer of the Contractors

License Board ("Board"), Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs

("Department"). I apologize for not being at today's hearing to present our testimony in

person. The Board is meeting today from 8:30 a.m. until this afternoon.

The Department thanks you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message

No. 859, regarding the reappointment of Peter H.M. Lee to the Board. The

Department supports the confirmation of Mr. Lee's reappointment to the Board.

Mr. Lee is being reappointed to the Board as one of its public members. He has served on the Board since July 1, 2011, and is currently the Chairperson of the Board's Legislative Committee. Mr. Lee is a dedicated member and has attended 51 of 52 Board meetings. Testimony on Governor's Message No. 859 Friday, April 15, 2016 Page 2

Mr. Lee is an extremely conscientious and reliable member. In addition to attending legislative committee hearings as the Board's representative, he also volunteers to attend the Board's Applications and Rules Committee meetings. He is well prepared for these meetings and his participation in discussions shows the depth of his understanding of the issues before the Board. Additionally, his congenial nature allows him to interact effectively with applicants, licensees, members of the public, key decision makers in government and industry, and his fellow board members. The Department appreciates his commitment and interest in serving on the Board and looks forward to his continued contributions in his second term.

The Department supports the confirmation of Mr. Lee to the Contractors License Board, and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

## Hawai'i Construction Alliance

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April 13, 2016

The Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair The Honorable Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair and members Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health Hawai'i State Senate Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

## **RE:** Strong Support for GM859, Nomination of Peter Lee to the Contractors License Board, for a term to expire June 30, 2019

Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Kidani, and members:

The Hawai'i Construction Alliance is comprised of the Hawai'i Regional Council of Carpenters; the Operative Plasterers' and Cement Masons' Union, Local 630; International Union of Bricklayers & Allied Craftworkers, Local 1; the Laborers' International Union of North America, Local 368; and the Operating Engineers, Local Union No. 3. Together, the member unions of the Hawai'i Construction Alliance represent 15,000 working men and women in the basic crafts of Hawai'i's construction industry.

According to HAR §16-77-2, the primary objective of the Contractors Licensing Board is "the protection of the public health, safety, and general welfare, in dealing with persons engaged in the construction industry, and affording to the public effective and practical protection against the incompetent, inexperienced, unlawful, and unfair practices of contractors with whom the public contracts."

As such, the CLB and its members have many responsibilities, including the adoption and enforcement of rules and regulations regarding the classification of contractors and the approval or suspension of contractor licenses. The CLB and its members, therefore, play an important role in promulgating fair and sound decisions to protect the integrity of the construction industry.

Peter Lee has extensive experience within Hawai'i's construction industry. He has worked for both contractors and labor-management organizations, in both project engineering/management and compliance roles, and so he understands all aspects of the industry. As a current member of the CLB, wherein he serves as its Legislative Committee Chair, he has demonstrated reasonable judgement and has truly proven his value to the board.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony in strong support of Mr. Lee's nomination for the Contractors Licensing Board. Therefore, we respectfully ask for your favorable consideration for his nomination.

Mahalo,

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April 11, 2016

Honorable Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair Honorable Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair And Members of the Committee Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health Hawaii State Capitol

Honolulu, HI

#### RE: Governor's Message No. 859 Peter H.M. Lee – Contractors License Board

Senator Baker and Members of the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health:

John R. Monis, representing the Hawaii Operating Engineers Industry Stabilization Fund (HOEISF), a labor management fund representing 300 general contractors in the heavy civil engineering and 4000 members in the construction industry.

HOEISF strongly supports the continuation of Mr. Peter Lee as a member of the Contractors Licensing Board. His experience and willingness to work collaboratively to help solve problems relating to the construction industry will be an asset to the Contractors License Board. He has a strong commitment to public service as evidenced by his participation in the Waipahu Neighborhood Board, Hawaii Procurement Institute, Central Oahu Regional Park Advisory Committee.

Thank you for your support in allowing this to happen.

Sincerely,

JOHN R. MONIS Executive Director Hawaii Operating Engineers Industry Stabilization Fund



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#### April 15, 2016

#### TO: HONORABLE ROSALYN BAKER, CHAIR, HONORABLE MICHELLE KIDANI, VICE CHAIR, SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONUSMER

SUBJECT: <u>SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 859</u>: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Contractors License Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, PETER LEE, for a term to expire 06-30-2019.

	<u>HEARING</u>		
DATE:	Friday, April 15, 2016		
TIME:	9:30 a.m.		
PLACE:	Conference Room 229		

Dear Chair Baker and Vice Chair Kidani and Members,

On behalf of the General Contractors Association of Hawaii (GCA), we are writing **in support** of Governor's Message 859 reappointing Peter Lee to the Contractors License Board ("Board") for a term set to expire on June 30, 2019. GCA is an organization comprised of over five hundred seventy general contractors, subcontractors and construction related firms. GCA was established in 1932 and is the largest construction association in the State of Hawaii.

Mr. Lee has served on the Board for the past five years and will be serving a second term. GCA requests your favorable consideration of his continued service. On the Board Mr. Lee represents the public sector and plays a distinct and collaborative role on the Board. In monitoring the Board's monthly meetings, Mr. Lee provides valuable insight on the issues at hand in a professional and respectful manner.

The Contractors License Board plays an important role in the construction industry, particularly with regard to the interpretation of Chapter 444, Hawaii Revised Statutes in its regulation of the licensing and administration of construction contractors. Many of our members in the construction industry are affected daily by the decisions of the Board.

The GCA <u>strongly supports</u> the re-appointment of Mr. Lee to serve on the Contractors License Board and respectfully request your favorable consideration.



### **International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers**

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April 13, 2016

#### TO: MADAM CHAIR ROSALYN BAKER State Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health For Hearing on Friday, April 15, 2016, 9:30 a.m., Conference Room 229

#### RE: TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF GM 859 NOMINATION OF MR. PETER LEE TO THE STATE CONTRACTORS LICENSE BOARD

Honorable Chair Baker, Vice Chair Kidani and members of the State Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health,

The **International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local Union 1186** represents over 3,800 members working in electrical construction, telecommunications, and with Oceanic Cable. Our members include civil service employees at Pearl Harbor, Hickam, Kaneohe, and military facilities throughout Hawaii. IBEW Local 1186 also represents over 120 signatory electrical contracting companies that perform most of the electrical work in our state.

We humbly offer our support for the confirmation of **Mr. Peter Lee**'s nomination to the **Hawaii State Contractors License Board**. Mr. Lee possesses the experience, balance, commitment, knowledge, and skills required for this position, and we look forward to an even-handed approach from him in matters critical to our industry.

Mr. Lee's extensive background working with both labor and management will be a tremendous asset to the Governor, the State Legislature, the State Contractors License Board, and the people of Hawaii.

We ask your Committee to support Mr. Peter Lee's confirmation and thank you for this opportunity to offer our testimony.

Aloha and mahalo,

**Damien Kim** Business Manager – Financial Secretary International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local Union 1186



#### <u>GM859</u>

Submitted on: 4/8/2016 Testimony for CPH on Apr 15, 2016 09:30AM in Conference Room 229

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Pane Meatoga Jr.	Operating Engineers Local 3	Support	No

Comments: We acknowledge Mr Lee's contribution to the Contractors License Board since 2011 and support his nomination to be reinstated for another term.

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> TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2016

DATE/TIME: FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 2016 - 9:30 A.M.

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 859 – "Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Contractors License Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, PETER LEE, for a term to expire 6-30-2019."

TO CHAIR ROSALYN BAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION AND HEALTH:

The International Union of Painters and Allied Trades, District Council 50 (DC50), appreciates the opportunity to testify in support of Governor's Message 859 – "Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Contractors License Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, Peter Lee, for a term to expire 6-30-2019." My name is Lorna Woo, Director of Government Affairs, District Council 50. DC50 is an organization that represents five (5) unions, the Painters, Local Union 1791; the Glaziers Architectural and Glass Metal Workers, Local Union 1889; the Carpet Linoleum and Soft Tile, Local Union 1926; the Drywall, Tapers Finishers, Local Union 1944 and the Pearl Harbor Metal Trades Specialty Workers, Local Union 1944 – approximately 2000 members statewide.

I am writing in support of Mr. Peter Lee to the Contractors License Board. Mr. Lee possesses a wealth of knowledge and an understanding of the procurement process, construction field and licensing procedures.

Mr. Lee is currently serving on the Contractors License Board and has proven to be a fair and reasonable member. His construction management background is an asset to the board and I request that you support Mr. Lee's reappointment to once again serve on the Contractors License Board.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Mr. Peter Lee.

#### Testimony of Pacific Resource Partnership

Hawaii State Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair

GM 859 – Peter Lee, Gubernatorial Nominee for Contractors Licensing Board

Friday, April 15, 2016 9:30 A.M. State Capitol – Room 229

Aloha Chair Baker, Vice Chair Kidani and members of the Committee:

We strongly support the confirmation of Peter Lee to the Contractors Licensing Board. Mr. Lee currently serves as a Legislative Committee Chair for the Contractors Licensing Board and has been a member for 6 years.

The Contractors Licensing Board and its members have numerous responsibilities, including, but not limited to, adopting rules and regulations regarding the classifications of contractors; approval or suspension of contractor licenses; promulgating rules and regulations related to the construction industry to protect the public; and enforcing Board rules. The Board plays an important role in the construction industry.

We believe Mr. Lee is well qualified because he has the industry expertise and is currently serving the Board thoughtfully and equitably. He will continue to be a great asset and therefore, we request your committee's favorable consideration to confirm Mr. Lee.

Thank you for the opportunity to share our views with you.

#### About PRP

Pacific Resource Partnership (PRP) is a not-for-profit organization that represents the Hawaii Regional Council of Carpenters, the largest construction union in the state, and more than 240 of Hawaii's top contractors. Through this unique partnership, PRP has become an influential voice for responsible construction and an advocate for creating a stronger, more sustainable Hawaii in a way that promotes a vibrant economy, creates jobs and enhances the quality of life for all residents.



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March 4, 2016

Honorable Senator Roz Baker Hawaii State Capitol, Room 230 Honolulu, Hi. 96813 Email: <u>senbaker@Capitol.hawali.gov</u>

Re: Letter of Recommendation for the Position of Public Member of the Contractor License Board, Peter Lee TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 860.

Dear Honorable Senator Roz Baker,

My name is Guy Akasaki the Pres/CEO of Commercial Roofing & Waterproofing Hi., Inc. and the current Chairman for the Hawaii State Contractor License Board.

Mr. Peter Lee has served for 4.5 years as a public member of the Board and currently serves as Chair of the Legislative Committee of the Contractor License Board. His perceptive ability to digest and assimilate in context and comprehension the legislative bills and hearings has been an extremely positive asset to the board's effectiveness.

He also has consistently attended and participated in an additional monthly separate Contractor Applications Meeting every month for the purpose of reviewing of applications of candidate qualifications applying their contractor licenses.

As Chairman of the Hawaii State Contractor License Board, Peter Lee's desire to hear and listen to the issues with earnestness has yielded a collaborative spirit whether in board meetings, discussions with industry leaders, decision makers and public members.

I would highly recommend the reappointment and confirmation of Mr. Peter Lee to the Contractor License Board as a Public Member.

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Aloha,

Gúy Akasaki | Chairman Hawaii State Contractor License Board

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April 12, 2016

- To: Honorable Rosalyn Baker, Chair, Honorable Michelle Kidani, Vice Chair, Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health
- Subject: <u>Support</u> of Governor's Message 859, Appointment of **PETER LEE** to the Contractors License Board for a term to expire 06-30-2019

Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Kidani, and Members of the Committee:

I am writing in <u>support</u> of Peter Lee's nomination for a second term on the Contractors Licensing Board (CLB). He is currently a construction compliance officer with the Hawaii Laborers Employers Cooperation & Educational Trust (LECET).

The Contractors License Board plays an important role in the construction industry. The CLB is tasked with adopting rules and regulations regarding the classifications of contractors; approval or suspension of contractor licenses; promulgating rules and regulations related to the construction industry to protect the public; and enforcing Board rules.

I have known Peter Lee for over twenty years, when I was president of Koga Engineering & Construction, Inc., and through my volunteer service at the General Contractors Association of Hawaii (GCA). I can personally attest to his outstanding character.

I strongly <u>support</u> the appointment of Peter Lee to the Contractors License Board and urge this committee to approve his nomination.

Sincerely,

Ilenn M. nohare

Genba Hawaii, Inc. President

#### <u>GM859</u>

Submitted on: 4/14/2016 Testimony for CPH on Apr 15, 2016 09:30AM in Conference Room 229

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Arnold	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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April 12, 2016

Honorable Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair And Members of the Senate Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health Committee Hawaii State Legislature

#### Re: Mr. Peter Lee, GM 859

Dear Chair Baker and Members,

I would like to share my support for Mr. Peter Lee for his reappointment to the Hawaii Contractors License Board.

Peter has a unique perspective of construction, having worked on both the owner's side and now that of trade labor in his role with the Hawaii Laborers Employers Cooperative & Educational Trust. This variety in his experience allows Peter to evaluate issues from differing viewpoints which is critical in making fair and responsible decisions.

The Hawaii Contractors License Board serves as an important role in ensuring that our residents get the highest quality product in our built environment as well as protecting the health and safety of our construction workforce. Our construction industry would be well served if Peter is allowed to continue his participation on this Board.

Please give Mr. Peter Lee your favorable consideration.

Aloha Brennon T. Morioka

#### **RESORT HOLDINGS, LLC**

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April 15, 2016

Chair Rosalyn Baker Vice-Chair Michelle Kidani Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection Hawaii State Capitol Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Chair Baker, Vice-Chair Kidani, & Members:

#### Re: Governor's Message 859 Peter H. M. Lee, Contractors License Board

It is with great pleasure to support the nomination of Mr. Peter H. M. Lee to the Contractors License Board.

Mr. Lee has 20 years of industry experience working as a Project Engineer with various construction companies, served as Market & Compliance Researcher for the Pacific Resources Partnership, and is currently the Construction Compliance Officer for the Hawaii Laborers Employers Cooperation & Educational Trust (LECET).

Mr. Lee is a very passionate advocate when it comes to industry related issues which is further evidenced by his participation and previous involvement in the Building Industry Association (BIA), DAGS' Performance Information Procurement System Advisory Committee, and State Procurement Task Force. His interest and dedication also extends into the community where he previously served on the Central Oahu Regional Park Advisory Committee and is a current elected member of the Waipahu Neighborhood Board.

I strongly offer that Mr. Lee has many positive attributes and deserving of reappointment to the Contractors License Board.

Thank you for your favorable consideration and nomination of Mr. Peter Lee.

Sincerely, mad

Brian T. Tamamoto Executive Vice President

Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection & Health Senator Rosalyn Baker, Chair Senator Michelle Kidani, Vice Chair

Chair Baker, Vice Chair Kidani, and members of the committee,

I am writing to you in support of GM 859, appointing Peter Lee for the Contractors License Board. My testimony will focus on his commitment to community service, although I also believe he does possess professional knowledge and understanding of the issues in construction industry.

I have served with Peter on the Waipahu Neighborhood Board #22 for many years. In that time he has gained the respect of other board members, who voted him to serve as our current Treasurer. He is insightful when questioning government and community presentations, always putting the interests of the community first. I have worked closely with Peter on many community issues over the years that have had tremendous benefits to the Waipahu community. I belive he would be a great asset to the Contractor License Board.

Thank you for your consideration,

Cory Chun Waipahu, HI



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April 11, 2016

THE HONORABLE SENATOR ROSALYN BAKER, CHAIR Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, & Health April 15, 2016, 9:30am State Capitol, Conference Room 229

RE: GM 859 Governor's nomination for Peter H. M. Lee to the Hawaii State Contractors License Board

Aloha Chair Baker, Vice-Chair Kidani, and Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health:

My name is Gino Soquena, and I am the Government & Community Relations Director for The Laborers' International Union of North America Local 368 which represents almost 5,000 members throughout the State of Hawaii. The Hawaii Laborers' Union Local 368 stands in **STRONG SUPPORT** of GM 859, the Governor's nomination of Mr. Peter H. M. Lee to the Hawaii State Contractors License Board.

Mr. Lee has over 20 years of experience in the construction industry and is currently the Construction Compliance Officer for the Laborers and Employers Corporation and Education Trust (LECET). Mr. Lee has the background, knowledge, qualifications, and the experience to be a positive and constructive member of the Hawaii State Contractors License Board.

The Laborers' Union Local 368 respectfully requests your support in confirming the Governor's nomination of Mr. Peter H. M. Lee to the Hawaii State Contractors License Board. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Gino Soquena Government & Community Relations Director Laborers' International Union of North America Local 368

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April 12, 2016

- To: Honorable Rosalyn Baker, Chair, Honorable Michelle Kidani, Vice Chair, Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health
- Subject: <u>Support</u> of Governor's Message 859, Appointment of **PETER LEE** to the Contractors License Board for a term to expire 06-30-2019

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I strongly <u>support</u> the appointment of Peter Lee to the Contractors License Board and urge this committee to approve his nomination.

Sincerely,

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Genba Hawaii, Inc. President

#### THE SENATE THE TWENTY-EIGTH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2016

#### COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH

Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair

#### NOTICE OF HEARING

Friday, April 15, 2016
9:30 a.m.
Conference Room 229
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

#### TESTIMONY ON GM 859

TO THE HONORABLE ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR, MICHELLE N. KIDANI, VICE CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Joy Y.N. Kimura, and I would like to express my strong support for GM 859, which submits for consideration and confirmation Gubernatorial Nominee, PETER LEE, to the Contractors License Board for a term to expire on 06-30-2018.

I have worked closely with Peter for the past 2 1/2 years as an employee of Hawaii LECET and I can attest to his in depth knowledge on construction issues affecting both labor and management. In addition to his expertise in these areas, I have found him to be fair, conscientious, and open minded, qualities that will serve the Contractors License Board well.

I have also found him to be civic minded and community oriented. Despite his busy work schedule and family responsibilities, he still dedicates his time to assist the community by volunteering as a member of the Waipahu Neighborhood Board, the Hawaii Procurement Institute and Tropics at Waikele Homeowners Association. I wholeheartedly believe Peter will continue to be an outstanding Contractors License Board member. His dedication to his work and his affability and pleasant personality will continue to be a significant asset to the Contractors License Board.

For these reasons, I humbly ask for your **<u>STRONG SUPPORT</u>** of Peter Lee to the Contractors License Board.



April 8, 2016

The Honorable Senator Rosalyn Baker State of Hawai'i Hawaii State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street, Room 230 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

RE: GM859

Dear Senator Baker,

Peter Lee was employed at Rons Construction Corporation prior to joining Hawaii LECET, where I had the blessed opportunity to work closely with Peter for a few years. The Contractors License Board is an important part of our construction industry and requires members of good character like Peter, who are knowledgeable of the industry and its needs.

I am thankful to know Peter and without any doubt, am confident he will continue to use his experience and background to the best of his abilities, serving as a valued member of the Contractors License Board.

I am honored to whole heartedly support his re-appointment nomination.

Very truly yours,

Rons Construction Corporation

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Kevin M. Oshiro, President



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#### March 10, 2016

## TO: THE HONORABLE SENATOR ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION (CPN)

SUBJECT: **GM 859** Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Contractors License Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, **PETER LEE** for a term to expire 06-30-2019

#### NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:	Friday, April 15, 2016
TIME:	9:30a.m.
PLACE:	Conference Room 229

The Honorable Senator Baker and Members of the Committee:

Ralph S. Inouye Co., Ltd. (RSI) and I personally **strongly support** the confirmation of **Peter Lee** as a member of the Contractors License Board (CLB). I have had the privilege of working with **Mr. Lee** for nearly 10 years now and have witnessed his contributions to the CLB, as well as a member of the Hawaii Laborers' and Employees' Cooperative Education Trust (LECET) Fund and the Hawaii Procurement Institute (HPI), a non-profit "think tank" organization for the promotion of State procurement education. During all of that time I've known him, he has always been involved in the construction industry in one capacity or another. His knowledge of the industry and the intricacies of contractor licensing is without equal and he has again volunteered to use that knowledge to help the CLB in its many complex tasks.

Personally, **Mr. Lee** is simply a good person to be around. He uses his knowledge of our industry to work collaboratively with industry representatives from all perspectives. He is a listener and problem solver, not a dictator. I am pleased that he has agreed to continue serving the industry as a CLB member.

RSI (and I personally) **strongly support** the confirmation of **Peter Lee** as a member of the Contractors License Board.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to provide this testimony.

Sincerely,

RALPH S. INOUYE CO., LTD.

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#### <u>GM859</u>

Submitted on: 4/7/2016 Testimony for CPH on Apr 15, 2016 09:30AM in Conference Room 229

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Melissa Pavlicek	Individual	Support	No

Comments: My name is Melissa Pavlicek and I am writing in support of Peter Lee to be appointed for the Contractor License Board. Peter has been a consistent, diligent and outstanding volunteer leader with the Hawaii Procurement Institute. I have personally observed his leadership style. He is a dedicated community servant and will serve the people of Hawaii well. Please confirm his nomination.

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April 7, 2016

#### COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH

Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair; Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair; and, members of the Committee

Subject: **TESTIMONY IN <u>SUPPORT</u>** of Mr. Peter Lee Gubernatorial Nominee to Contractors License Board (GM 859) Hearing: Friday 15 April 2016, 9:30 AM, Conference Room 229

I am respectfully submitting this written testimony in support of Mr. Peter Lee's nomination to the Contractors License Board.

I have personally known Mr. Lee since 2004 through his public service involvement in various community and professional organizations. I have also worked with him as a volunteer member on the Board of Directors for the Hawaii Procurement Institute (2005-2006 and 2011-present).

His wide range of experience with the construction industry as well as his community and professional organizations will be an asset to the Contractors License Board.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my views on this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

SSFM INTERNATIONAL, INC.

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Michael P. Matsumoto, P.E., FACEC President/CEO email: <u>mmatsumoto@ssfm.com</u>

### Pat Lee & Associates, LLC

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April 8, 2016

To: Sen. Rosalyn Baker Chair, Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health State Senate Hawaii State Capitol, Room 230

Sen. Michelle Kidani, Vice Chair State Senate Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228

From: Pat Lee, Pat Lee & Associates, LLC

Re: Re-Appointment of Peter H.M. Lee to the Hawaii Contractors Licensing Board Governor's Message No. 859

#### WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY

Chair Baker, Vice Chair Kidani and honorable members of the committee,

My name is Pat Lee, and I am a community relations consultant having been in business for over two decades. My emphasis is in real estate development and land use entitlements. I am writing you in support of the reappointment of Peter Lee to the Hawaii State Contractors Licensing Board.

I have known Peter since 2008 and have worked with him on many issues. He is both knowledgeable and civic minded, having worked in the construction industry as well as serving on the Waipahu Neighborhood Board #22.

In the course of my work, I regularly attend the Waipahu Neighborhood Board meetings, and have observed him to be fair, objective and professional in his deliberations on many diverse issues that come before the board. His experience as a LECET

compliance officer as well as his background as a project manager and engineer in the construction industry make him well qualified to be a member of the Licensing Board.

I support his continued service to the State as a member of the Hawaii Contractors Licensing Board and respectfully request your Committee's favorable consideration of his reappointment.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide you with my testimony in support of Mr. Peter Lee.

Sincerely,

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April 8, 2016

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THE HONORABLE SENATOR ROSALYN BAKER, CHAIR

RE: GM 859 Consideration and Confirmation for Peter H. M. Lee to the Hawaii State Contractors License Board

Aloha Chair Baker, Vice-Chair Kidani, and Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health:

My name is Peter Ganaban, Business Manager/ Secretary- Treasurer for The Laborers' International Union of North America Local 368 which represents almost 5,000 members throughout the State of Hawaii. Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in **STRONG SUPPORT** of GM 859 for the Consideration and Confirmation of Peter H. M. Lee to the Hawaii State Contractors License Board.

Mr. Lee has over 20 years of experience in the construction industry and for the last 8 years has served as the Construction Compliance Officer for the Laborers and Employers Corporation and Education Trust (LECET). Mr. Lee has the background, knowledge, qualifications, and the experience to be a positive and constructive member of the Hawaii State Contractors License Board.

The Laborers' Union Local 368 respectfully requests your support in confirming the appointment of Peter H. M. Lee to the Hawaii State Contractors License Board. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Peter A. Ganaban Business Manager/ Secretary- Treasurer Laborers' International Union of North America Local 368

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April 11, 2016

The Honorable Rosalyn Baker, Chair Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, and Health State Capitol, Room 230 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, and Health,

I am writing to express my strong support of the re-appointment of Peter Lee to the Hawaii Contractors License Board.

During the time that I have known and worked with Peter, he recognizes the responsibility that comes with being a member of this licensing board and what is required to ensure safe building practices.

Peter has over 20 years of experience in the Hawaii building industry as a project manager, project engineer and compliance officer. His background in regulatory and government affairs, construction and licensing will continue to serve him – and the people of Hawaii – well in this position, ensuring that the highest standards are met.

I respectfully request that you appoint Mr. Lee to a second term with the board and thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Mahalo,

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Sharene Saito Tam Vice President Haseko Development, Inc.

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#### GM859 – Peter H. M. Lee

#### (1) Why do you want to be a member of the Board?

I want to be a member because I want give back to the community. I want to be part the team to update our Administrative Rules. I want to find solutions between the general contractors and subcontractors and how they can work together and not against each other. I want to stop the sub-trade unions from using the CLB to decide jurisdictional disputes.

#### (2) What do you perceive are the roles and responsibilities of a member of the Board?

I believe the role of the CLB is to protect the health and safety of the public. I also feel that we have the responsibility to implement HRS444 and its related Administrative Rules. I also believe I have the responsibility to work with other agencies like the state procurement office as procurement and licensing seems to be the triggers to public work bid protests.

#### (3) In what ways do you feel that you can help protect the consumer?

I believe I can help protect consumers by diligently performing the task assigned to us...to review and scrutinize every application for licensure. We need to ensure applicants have the proper skills and experiences to be a licensed contractor.

## (4) Given your understanding of the roles and responsibilities of a Board member, why do you believe that you are qualified for the position? Please include a brief statement of your skills, expertise and knowledge that would aid you as a member of the Board.

I started working in the construction industry in 1995 at PRP as a research analyst. As my tenure there grew, I took on other roles including website manager and Safety Coordinator. While there, I was a founding member of the Hawaii Procurement Institute, a non-profit think tank organization created by the Legislature, and served on DAGS' Performance Information based procurement committee (PIPS). After leaving PRP in 2006, I worked for a general contractor as a project manager running building projects, and then working for a subcontractor as a project engineer who specializes in civil work. In 2008, I joined Hawaii LECET (the labor/mgt partnership between the Laborers Union and its signatory contractors) as its construction compliance officer. Since then, I continued my work in compliance, but also began serving as a Director with the Hawaii Procurement Task Force and now currently, at the Past Performance Task Force. Since 1995, I have worked with DCCA's – Consumer Resource Center, the Contractors Licensing Board, RICO; and DLIR's – Wage Standards Division and HIOSH for nearly two decades. In 2012, as a member of the CLB, I took on the role of Legislative Committee Chair for the Contractors Licensing Board and appeared before the Legislative to provide testimony on behalf of the board.

I believe my work history and experiences has provided me with a wide range skills, expertise, and knowledge in this industry that would aid me as a member of the CLB.

#### (5) What do you hope to accomplish during your term of service?

I hope to assist in updating our Administrative Rules. They have not been updated for over 10 yrs. I also hope to create better relationships with procuring agencies so that they can use the CLB as a resource when there are questions on the proper licensing classifications required on a project bid. I hope to change mindset that a contractor's license is not just a piece of paper, and to keep it in current and active status is their responsibility...no one else.

#### GM859 – Peter H. M. Lee

#### (6) Name three qualities that best describe you and how these qualities will benefit the Board.

- Fair I treat every applicant or testifier to the board the same.
- Open-Minded Every board member is provided pages of information prior to the board meeting. It takes several hours to review these documents. In some cases, we are asked to be prepared to discuss SCOPE issues. Although I may come to the board meetings with a predetermined scope decision, I often like to hear other points of view from my board colleagues.
- Respected My colleagues on the CLB board knows that at times, some of my decisions and votes may not be very popular with my affiliates/employer, however, I feel it was the most fair and right decision for the construction industry.

#### (7) Name a previous experience you've had that will be beneficial as a Board member.

As mentioned before, I worked for a general contractor as a project manager running building projects, and then working for a subcontractor as a project engineer who specializes in civil work. I am also a current member of the CLB. The experience I've gained in the field and at the CLB has helped me tremendously serving this board. In addition, keeping seasoned members who had read and comprehends the statute and administrative rules will make the entire process much smoother.

## (8) Can you foresee any possible conflicts of interest that could arise during your service on the Board? How would you overcome conflicts of interest?

I don't foresee any conflicts of interest; although in the past, a particular union and/or its respective stabilization trust fund have accused me and another CLB member of being biased towards a particular group of contractors based solely on our respective employers. Those accusations are clearly unfounded, and I would welcome an audit of both our CLB voting records.

I have made it known to the CLB staff and my colleagues on the board... that when we step through those doors and into the board room, we need to leave our egos and special interest at the door. Our decisions should be based on what is fair and right, and in the best interest of the construction industry and the State of Hawaii.

Should there be a potential conflict of interest, I will inform the board chair of the potential conflict and offer to re-cuse myself from the discussion and vote. In fact, I have done exactly that in the past, and will continue to do so in the future if given that opportunity.